

8. INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 GENERAL

York County 911 will monitor the Mutual Aid radio to receive calls from other counties.

Units responding out of York County will advise York County Communications on their primary talk group that they are responding on the assignment. They will then be instructed to switch to an appropriate talk group and be patched to the appropriate county. They will then receive instructions from that county. These talk groups are not routinely monitored by the dispatcher.

Units responding into York County will be patched to the correct talk group by the dispatcher using the mutual aid county modules on the console.

York – Lancaster Interop Procedure

For a York County Box

1. Patch 33.88 to whatever Talk Group the incident has been assigned (Ops 5, 12, or 13)
2. When requesting units from Lancaster, tell them to have the units respond on 33.88.
3. No other patching is necessary.

For a Lancaster County Box

1. When asking for York Units, Lancaster will inform York to put units on Lanc1 or Lanc2
2. When dispatching York units, assign them to the Lanc 1 or Lanc 2 talk group, depending on what Lancaster has requested. Do not assign them to an OPS group.
3. No patching is necessary at the York end.

8.2 INTERAGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

If one agency, such as Police, wants to talk to another agency, such as the Fire Department, they will use the FD/PD3 talk group. This is a multi-agency, countywide talk group.

Each municipality will have a municipal talk group for communications between agencies within that municipality.